





## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Noble of Indiana.

Whereas, Before the 1950's, individuals with disabilities were shunned from society, either institutionalized or hidden at home:

Whereas, A group of families came together on February 10, 1953, at the Indiana War Memorial with a goal of providing an education for their children with disabilities;

Whereas, Through the hard work of these families, Noble School was established on September 8, 1953;

Whereas, Named for its proximity to Noble Street and because of the nobility of their cause, Noble School flourished serving school-age children;

Whereas, In 1960, Noble opened a sheltered workshop for adults with developmental disabilities, demonstrating that these adults had tremendous gifts and talents to contribute to the business community and that they could play a valuable role in our workforce;

Whereas, Noble's push to include people with disabilities was also evidenced throughout the country by the 1973 federal mandate calling for public schools to include all children regardless of disability;

Whereas, That landmark legislation led Noble to shift its focus to serving babies and toddlers, becoming the first



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organization in Indiana to provide vital early intervention therapies to these young children in their homes and day care settings rather than in clinical environments;

Whereas, In 1986, Noble launched Indiana's first supported employment service, providing adults with disabilities the opportunity to become contributing, valued employees in businesses across central Indiana;

Whereas, Noble has since expanded its array of services to meet the changing needs of our community, offering summer camps for children, community living residential services and behavioral therapy for adults, music therapy, volunteer opportunities that enable individuals to learn job skills, expansion of services into eastern Indiana, and, most recently, the launch of autism and therapy services featuring applied behavioral analysis for children on the autism spectrum; and

Whereas, Noble has spent the past 60 years creating opportunities for people with disabilities to live meaningful lives and looks forward to the next 60 years filled with even greater opportunities: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

- SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly thanks Noble of Indiana for its dedicated service to the thousands of people whose lives have been touched by its caring and dedicated personnel in central and eastern Indiana.
- SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Noble of Indiana.



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